# PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISIONS GEOENVIRONMENTAL

# CONTAMINATED SOIL (4/11/2023)

The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that soil contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbon compounds and coal combustion by-product exist within the project area. The known areas of contamination are indicated on corresponding plans sheets. Information relating to these contaminated areas, sample locations, and investigation reports will be available at the following web address by navigating to the correct letting year and month then selecting, "Plans and Proposals", "R-3833C", "Individual Sheets/520 GeoEnvironmental":

# http://dotw-xfer01.dot.state.nc.us/dsplan/

# **Petroleum Contaminated Soil**

Petroleum contaminated soil may be encountered during any earthwork activities on the project. The Contractor shall only excavate those soils that the Engineer designates necessary to complete a particular task. The Engineer shall determine if soil is contaminated based on areas shown on the plans, petroleum odors, and unusual soil staining. Contaminated soil not required to be excavated is to remain in place and undisturbed. Undisturbed soil shall remain in place, whether contaminated or not. The Contractor shall transport all petroleum contaminated soil excavated from the project to a facility licensed to accept petroleum contaminated soil.

In the event that a stockpile is needed, the stockpile shall be created within the property boundaries of the source material and in accordance with the Diagram for Temporary Containment and Treatment of Petroleum-Contaminated Soil per North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality's (NCDEQ) Division of Waste Management UST Section GUIDELINES FOR EX SITU PETROLEUM CONTAMINATED SOIL REMEDIATION. If the volume of contaminated material exceeds available space on site, the Contractor shall obtain a permit from the NCDEQ UST Section's Regional Office for off-site temporary storage. The Contractor shall provide copies of disposal manifests completed per the disposal facilities requirements and weigh tickets to the Engineer.

## **Coal Combustion By-Product (Coal Ash) Contaminated Material**

Coal ash contaminated material may be encountered during earthwork activities on Parcels 033 040, 043, 046, 073 and 082. The Contractor shall only excavate those materials that the Engineer designates necessary to complete a particular task. Coal ash contaminated material not required to be excavated is to remain in place and undisturbed. Undisturbed soil shall remain in place, whether contaminated or not.

Coal ash contaminated material shall be excavated in such a manner that minimizes material washing downstream. The contractor shall begin excavation at the upstream end of parcels with known coal ash. Coal ash contaminated material removed during construction shall be transported to a waste treatment and disposal facility that is fully approved and permitted by all applicable environmental regulatory agencies to receive, treat and/or dispose of the material. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to locate such a facility. All material shall be contained appropriately

during transport to the disposal facility. Departmental approval of the specific facility identified for use by the Contractor shall occur prior to removal of any material from the project limits.

The Contractor shall provide the Department with all transportation manifests and certificates of acceptance from the receiving disposal facility weekly. The Department will be the regulatory generator of all waste excavated and removed from within its right of way. The Contractor, with the approval of the Engineer, is authorized to sign all waste transportation and disposal manifests on behalf of the Department.

## **Measurement and Payment:**

The quantity of contaminated soil/contaminated material hauled and disposed of shall be the actual number of tons of material, which has been acceptably transported and weighed with certified scales as documented by disposal manifests and weigh tickets. The quantity of petroleum contaminated soil, measured as provided above, shall be paid for at the contract unit price per ton for "Hauling and Disposal of Petroleum Contaminated Soil". The quantity of coal ash contaminated material, measured as provided above, shall be paid for at the contract unit price per ton for "Hauling and Disposal of Coal Ash Contaminated Material."

The above price and payment shall be full compensation for all work covered by this section, including, but not limited to stockpiling, loading, transportation, weighing, laboratory testing, disposal, equipment, decontamination of equipment, labor, and personal protective equipment.

Payment shall be made under:

Pay Item	Pay Unit
Hauling and Disposal of Petroleum Contaminated Soil	Ton
Hauling and Disposal of Coal Ash Contaminated Material	Ton



# **PRELIMINARY SITE ASSESSMENT**

SR 1100 (BRAWLEY SCHOOL ROAD) IMPROVEMENTS TIP NO. R-3833C, WBS NO. 34554.2.4

NCDOT PARCEL NOS. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 46, 73, AND 82 BRAWLEY SCHOOL COAL ASH STRUCTURAL FILL SITE MOORESVILLE, IREDELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA



PREPARED FOR: NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION C/O STANTEC 801 JONES FRANKLIN ROAD SUITE 300 RALEIGH NORTH CAROLINA 27606-3394

PREPARED BY: FALCON ENGINEERING, INC. 1210 TRINITY ROAD, SUITE 110 CARY, NC 27513

PROJECT NUMBER: G18063.02 OCTOBER 30, 2019





October 30, 2019

Mr. A. Dean Sarvis PE Stantec 801 Jones Franklin Road, Suite 300 Raleigh, North Carolina 27606-3394

Re: **Preliminary Site Assessment** SR 1100 (Brawley School Road) Improvements TIP No. R-3833C, WBS No. 34554.2.4 NCDOT Parcel Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 46 73, and 82 Brawley School Road Coal Ash Structural Fill Site Mooresville, Iredell County, North Carolina

Dear: Mr. Sarvis:

Falcon is pleased to present the attached Geophysical report in support of the above-mentioned Project. Falcon performed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) for R-3833C under Project No. G18063.01 dated March 2019. The ESA identified the permitted Brawley School Road Coal Ash Structural Fill Site (Fill Site) within the R-3833C Study Area.

Falcon reviewed available information from The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ) Mooresville Regional Office concerning the Fill Site. The State file contained an Acknowledgment and Consent form dated February 27, 1995. This form documents the landowner's (at the time) consent to the use of coal combustion by-products (ash) as structural fill and estimates the volume of ash at 100,000 tons.

The State file also included a Structural Fill Notification from Duke Power Company dated February 28, 1995. The Notification states; "The proposed project will utilize approximately 60,000 cubic yards of ash in a structural fill application to develop the property for marketing. The Fill Site is located at the intersection of US highway 21 and State Road 1100 (Brawley School Road) in Iredell County." A Map of the limits of the permitted site was included in the state file. The map indicates the above parcels are within the limits of the fill site.

Falcon directed Pyramid Environmental (Pyramid) to perform a EM31 Conductivity Survey from within the existing edge of pavement to the proposed Right-Of-Way (ROW) and/or easements at each parcel listed above, whichever distance was greater. The purpose of the geophysical investigation was to locate and delineate the horizontal extents of the buried ash deposit (if present) across the portion of each property where proposed ROW and/or easements were present. Based on Pyramid's expertise and experience it was expected that the presence of buried ash would result in a significant increase in ground conductivity relative to the surrounding native soil.

Three distinct zones of increased conductivity that do not correspond to buried utilities were observed. These areas indicate the potential presence of ash. These areas are located:

- > On the south side of Parcel 43
- ➢ On the west side of Parcel 39
- > On the west and south sides of Parcel 34 which is also the north side of Parcel 82

A map of the areas interpreted to contain possible buried ash is included as Figure 3 in the attached Geophysical Report.

Please review this report and advise us if you have any questions or concerns. We appreciate this opportunity to provide services to you and look forward to partnering with you on future projects. If you have any questions, please give Falcon a call at (919) 871-0800.

# Sincerely, FALCON ENGINEERING, INC.

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Christopher J. Burkhardt Environmental Services Manager

Jeremy R. Hamm, PE Geotechnical Services Manager

Attachments: Brawley School Road Coal Ash Structural Fill Site File Review Documents and Maps Geophysical Report

# Duke Project As Listed On The NC Solid Waste Section's List of All Coal Ash Structural Fills:

Iredell; Brawley School Road; Duke Power (L Evans); Duke Power; Marlo Corporation; March, 1995; May 1, 1995;



DUKE POWER

March 31, 1997



William Hocutt North Carolina Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources Solid Waste Section P.O. Box 27687 Raleigh, NC 27611-7687

SUBJECT: Structural Fill Closure Requirement Record Number: 006021

Mr. Hocutt:

In accordance with Section .1706(d) of the Solid Waste Management Rules for the Beneficial Use of Coal Combustion By-Products, please find attached "Closure Certifications" for all of the coal ash structural fill projects conducted by Duke Power Company as listed on the NC Solid Waste Section's "List of All Coal Ash Structural Fills". In addition, a copy of the "Recordation Statement" for each project is also included. Please note that the "Recordation Statement" is a requirement of the land owner and is being provided by Duke Power as a courtesy/service to the land owner.

The information attached will supersede the closure certifications previously submitted on January 2, 1997. Therefore, the previously submitted closure information should be deleted from your file(s) and replaced with the attached.

If you have any questions concerning these documents, please contact me at 704-875-5956.

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L. D. Evans, CHMM Scientist Environmental Division - Waste Management

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Attachments



December 12, 1995

Re: Certificate of Compliance

This document shall serve as notice that property owned by Floyd Greene and William Grigg, located on Brawley School Road (known as the Brawley School Road Retail Site) has been developed with coal ash provided by Duke Power Company.

Whereas, this document is provided as evidence of compliance with all the requirements of Solid Waste Regulation Section 1700 and specifically to meet Section 1706 Closure of Structural Fill Facilities, part (d).

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The undersigned, Marie Corporation, a North Carolina comporation, and Nonticello-Jefferson Corp., a North Carolina Composation, in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S 130A-294 and 15A MCAC 13B.1703, acknowledge that they are the centers of the real property located in Davidson Township, Iredell County, North Carolina, and more specifically described on Schedule A attached hereto.

The undersigned further acknowledge and consent to the use of coal combustion by-products as structural fill on the real property described on Schedule A. The volume of coal combustion by-products placed on this property is estimated to be 102,575 tong.

The undersigned further agree to record this document as required by 15A MCAC 138.1707.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Marlo Corporation has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by its President and attested by its Secretary with its corporate seal to be hereunto affined, and Monticello-Jefferson Corp. has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by its President and attested by its Secretary with its corporate seal to be hereunto affined, this  $\frac{\partial \Omega^{n,d}}{\partial \partial \theta}$  of  $\int \Omega A_{110}M_{110}$ , 1996.

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State of North Carolina Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources Division of Solid Waste Management

James B. Hunt, Jr., Governor Jonathan B. Howes, Secretary William L. Meyer, Director



March 3, 1995

Mr. Larry D. Evans, Scientist Electric System Support Duke Power Company 13339 Hagers Ferry Road Huntersville, NC 28078-7929

Coal Fly Ash Structural Fill at Brawley School Road Near Subject: Mooresville, NC in Iredell County Scheduled to Begin in Early March, 1995.

We are in receipt of your February 28, 1995 proposal for constructing the subject structural fill beginning as soon as possible and planned for completion by May 1, 1995. The information submitted satisfies the requirements for coal ash The. structural fill activities as set forth in Solid Waste Management Rules 15A NCAC 13B Section .1700 concerning beneficial use of coal combustion by-products.

We appreciate the additional information supplied by you to Bill Hocutt on March 3, 1995 about the french drain shown on your construction drawing. Our concern was that this might involve a perennial stream. That would have at least required additional separation of the fly ash from the stream. We are satisfied with the five feet of earthen cover since you state that any water at that location would arise from precipitation run-off and that the specified five feet cover was for the entire length of the french drain. You further stated that this did not involve ground water flowing through the site.

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As previously agreed to between Duke Power and the Solid Waste Management Division, Duke Power is accepting the responsibility of informing the landowner(s) of their responsibility should any groundwater contamination occur due to this structural fill activity.

Sincerely,

Colle. ames James C. Coffe

Permitting Branch Supervisor Solid Waste Section

cc: Julian Foscue Anthony Foster Bill Hocutt John P. Nerison, P.E. Larry S. Harper

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Duke Power Company Electric System Support 13339 Hagers Ferry Road Huntersville, NC 28078-7929



DUKE POWER

February 28, 1995

William Hocutt
North Carolina Department of Environment,
 Health and Natural Resources
Solid Waste Section
401 Oberline Road
Suite 150
Raleigh, N. C. 27605

SUBJECT: Structural Fill Notification Brawley School Road Property Marlo Corporation & Grigg Investment File: GS-707.02 (Fossil)

Mr. Hocutt:

In accordance with Section .1706 of the Solid Waste Management Rules (Requirements For Beneficial Use Of Coal Combustion By-Products), please find attached the required written notification for the referenced structural fill project. Included in the notification are construction plans required for coal combustion by-products applications greater than 10,000 cubic yards.

If you have any questions concerning the notification, please contact me at 704-875-5956.

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L. D. Evans, Scientist Environmental Protection - Waste Management

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Attachments



### STRUCTURAL FILL NOTIFICATION

## Duke Power Company Brawley School Road Property Marlo Corporation & Grigg Investment

The proposed project will utilize approximately 60,000 cubic yards of fly ash in a structural fill application to develop the property for marketing. The property is located at the intersection of US highway 21 and State Road 1100 (Brawley School Road) in Iredell County as indicated on the attached USGS map (Mooresville Quanrangle, North Carolina - 7.5 minute series). The project is scheduled to commence as soon as possible and to be completed on May 1, 1995. The fly ash will be supplied from Duke Power's Marshall Steam Station located on Highway 150 in eastern Catawba County at the following address:

Duke Power Company Marshall Steam Station PO Box 210 Terrell, N.C. 28682

Larry Evans will serve as the Generator Contact and can be contacted at:

Larry Evans Duke Power Company 13339 Hagers Ferry Road (MG03A5) Huntersville, N.C. 28078-7929 Phone: 704-875-5956

The following documents are attached:

- Signed statement of acknowledgement and consent from property owner
- TCLP data and certification
- USGS Topographic map showing location of project
- Construction Plans



I certify that the TCLP analysis is representative of the fly ash to be used for this project.

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Larry D. Wang

Larry D. Evans



# HAZARDOUS WASTE SAMPLE RESULTS APPLIED SCIENCE CENTER

STATION • Marshall Marshall U-1 ash Leach SAMPLE ID. : 9402095 LAB.SERV. #: (MA) (MA) (MA) (MA) (MA) (MA) (MA) (MA) TCLP Leach

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CR:	0.77	mg/l	5.0	mg/l	
PB:	~ 1.0	mg/1	5.0	mg/l	
AS:	1 < 0.10	mg/1	5.0	mg/1	
SE:	0.27	mg/1	1.0	mg/l	
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N/R: NOT REQUESTED.

\* EXCEEDS RCRA LIMITS.

# NORTH CAROLINA

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### ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT

The undersigned, Marlo Corporation, a North Carolina corporation, and William G. Grigg and wife, Jacqulinn O. Grigg, in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S 130A-294 and 15A NCAC 13B.1703, acknowledge that they are the owners of the real property located in Davidson Township, Iredell County, North Carolina, and more specifically described on Schedule A attached hereto.

The undersigned further acknowledge and consent to the use of coal combustion by-products as structural fill on the real property described on Schedule A. The volume of coal combustion by-products placed on this property is estimated to be 100,000 tons.

The undersigned further agree to record this document as required by 15A NCAC 13B.1707.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said individual parties have hereunto set their hand and said corporate party has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by its President and attested with its corporate seal, this  $27^{-4}$  day of February 1995.

MARLO CORPORATION

President

(CORPORATE SEAL)

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NORTH CAROLINA, IREDELL COUNTY.
I, Marcia K. Jong, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid certify that Algorithm D. Polymore personally
came before me this day and acknowledged that <u>She is</u> Secretary of
Marlo Corporation, a North Carolina corporation, and that by authority duly
given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed
in its name by its President, sealed with its corporate seal and
attested by <u>huv</u> as its Secretary. Witness my hand and
official stamp or seal, this <u>27</u> <sup>M</sup> day of <u>Auburary</u> 1995.
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Notary Public Ø

My Commission Expires:

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NORTH CAROLINA, IREDELL COUNTY.

I, <u>Marcia K. Ling</u>, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that William G. Grigg and wife, Jacquiinn O. Grigg, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument. Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this <u>27</u><sup>W</sup> day of <u>Living</u> 1995.

Marcia K. Jong

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MARSHALL STEAM STATION PGB2 BOX 210 MOORESVILLE, NC 28115	MOORESVILLE, NC 28115
TERRELL, N.C. 28682 LARRY D. EVANS (704) 875-5956	CHOOL ROAD RETAIL SITE
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# **GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY**

# GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATION TO DELINEATE BURIED ASH

NCDOT PROJECT R-3833C MOORESVILLE, NC

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### GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT R-3833C, Multiple Parcels Mooresville, North Carolina

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Project Description:** Pyramid Environmental (Pyramid) conducted a geophysical investigation for Falcon Engineers (Falcon) at multiple parcels (33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 46 and 73) in Mooresville, NC as part of the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Project R-3833C. Falcon directed Pyramid as to the geophysical survey boundaries, which were designed to extend from the existing edge of pavement into the proposed Right-Of-Way (ROW) and/or easements at each parcel, whichever distance was greater. Historical research suggested that a large volume of coal ash had been deposited in this area. The purpose of the geophysical investigation was to locate and delineate the horizontal extents of the buried ash deposit (if present) across the portion of each property where proposed ROW and/or easements were present.

# **Geophysical Results:**

- The EM31 mapping was successful in delineating a zone of high conductivity soils across the site.
- Analysis of conductivity trends resulted in the interpretation that buried ash may be represented by conductivity values greater than 30 millisiemens per meter (mS/m).
- Extensive buried metal utilities were also present across the project site that resulted in zones of elevated conductivity associated with the buried metal.
- Three distinct zones of increased conductivity were observed at the project site that do not correspond to buried utilities. These areas are located:
  - 1) On the south side of Parcel 43
  - 2) On the west side of Parcel 39
  - 3) On the west and south sides of Parcel 34
- Using a threshold of 30 mS/m, Pyramid estimates that these areas of possible buried ash cover an area of approximately 1.2 acres at within the survey boundaries. The buried ash may also extend further into the properties beyond the survey limits.
- The presence of buried metal utilities may skew these interpretations and/or result in interference that is obscuring additional ash deposits.
- It is recommended that invasive testing (i.e., soil borings) be performed to depths of at least 20 feet across the property within the various ranges of conductivities to verify the threshold that represents the boundary between ash and native soil. The geophysical results can then be used to extrapolate this boundary around the perimeter of the entire site with greater accuracy.

# INTRODUCTION

Pyramid Environmental (Pyramid) conducted a geophysical investigation for Falcon Engineers (Falcon) at multiple parcels (33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 43, 46 and 73) in Mooresville, NC as part of the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Project R-3833C. Falcon directed Pyramid as to the geophysical survey boundaries, which were designed to extend from the existing edge of pavement into the proposed Right-Of-Way (ROW) and/or easements at each parcel, whichever distance was greater. Historical research suggested that a large volume of coal ash had been deposited in this area. The purpose of the geophysical investigation was to locate and delineate the horizontal extents of the buried ash deposit (if present) across the portion of each property where proposed ROW and/or easements were present.

The survey area included grass and asphalt road shoulders, parking lots, and medians surrounding multiple commercial buildings and residential properties. It should be noted that dense vegetation prevented full access along specific residential properties on the north side of Brawley School Road. It should also be noted that review of the Final Survey \*.dgn MicroStation file provided to Pyramid by the NCDOT indicated that multiple buried metal utility lines (water, sewer and gas) extended across various portions of the survey areas. Such buried metal utility lines can result in localized conductivity increases that can create interference anomalies in the conductivity results.

Figure 1 provides a map showing the geophysical survey boundaries, the inaccessible areas, and ground-level site photographs.

# FIELD METHODOLOGY

Pyramid utilized electromagnetic geophysical methods to delineate the horizontal extents of ash at the subject property. Specifically, Pyramid utilized a Geonics EM31-MK1 (EM 31) ground conductivity meter which measures apparent ground conductivity and metal detection down to a maximum depth of 17 feet below ground surface. The EM31 instrument was coupled to a Trimble AG-114 GPS unit to record the position of the EM data to sub-meter accuracy during the survey.

The EM31 ground conductivity meter measures apparent ground conductivity (quadrature phase) and metal detection (in-phase) conditions down to a maximum depth of 15 to 17 feet below ground surface. The EM31 method determines electrical properties of the earth

materials by inducing electromagnetic currents in the ground and measuring the secondary magnetic field produced by these currents. An alternating current is generated in the transmitter coil located at one end of the instrument. The secondary magnetic field, which is produced by currents through the earth, induces a corresponding alternating current in the receiver coil located at the opposite end of the instrument. The instrument runs at an operating frequency of 9.8 kilohertz (kHz).

After compensating for the primary field, which can be computed from the relative positions and orientations of both coils, the magnitude and relative phase of the secondary field are measured. These measurements are then converted to components of in-phase and 90 degrees out-of-phase (quadrature) with the transmitted field. The out-of-phase or quadrature component, using certain simple assumptions, is converted to a measurement of apparent ground conductivity in millisiemens per meter (mS/m). These conductivity values can be used to infer changes related to anomalous subsurface deposits such as coal ash. The in-phase component responds to high conductive areas (above 100 mS/m) or to areas containing metallic objects and debris and the values are expressed in terms of relative units or parts per thousand. Therefore, the in-phase data can be used to identify areas that may contain buried metallic material across areas recording lower conductivity values.

A series of transects were performed using the EM31 instrument generally spaced 10 feet apart and extending typically parallel to the direction of Brawley School Road. Subsequent to the initial data collection, Pyramid collected additional reconnaissance EM data along transects at a coarser spacing in the north-central portion of the survey area. Following the field survey, data were downloaded and processed using TrackMaker31 EM processing software, and a contour map of conductivity was generated using Surfer 16.0 contouring software (see **Figure 2**).

# **DISCUSSION OF RESULTS**

A contour map of the EM31 quadrature results (conductivity) is presented in **Figure 2**. It was expected that the presence of buried ash would result in a significant increase in ground conductivity relative to the surrounding native soil. The figure shows a wide range of conductivity values across the property. As mentioned previously, Pyramid has analyzed the locations of buried metal utility lines using the MicroStation files provided by the NCDOT. These metal utility lines can result in conductivity increases that are unrelated to geologic conditions. The metal utility lines have been extracted from the MicroStation file and overlain on the conductivity results for reference. The majority of the metal utility lines

are running parallel to the roadways in the road shoulders, and clearly show linear increases in conductivity at the locations of the utilities.

Review of the collective conductivity results indicate that background soil conditions are generally represented by conductivity values ranging from approximately 5 to 30 mS/m. Negative conductivity values are typically indicative of surface metal objects such as signs, light poles, vehicles, and other objects. These features can generally be ignored for the purposes of analyzing possible buried coal ash.

Specific to coal ash, Pyramid examined all areas where conductivity values increased to approximately 30 mS/m and higher. Analysis of the locations of buried metal utilities indicate that the majority of the zones where elevated conductivity was observed correlate to the locations of utilities. However, three distinct zones of increased conductivity are observed at the project site that do not correspond to buried utilities. These areas are located: 1) On the south side of Parcel 43, 2) On the west side of Parcel 39, and 3) On the west and south sides of Parcel 34. These zones are interpreted to contain possible buried coal ash. It is also likely that, if these areas are representative of coal ash, the coal ash extends further into the interior of each parcel.

Soil borings have not yet been performed at the site. Boring data would allow Pyramid to verify if these zones contain coal ash and determine the exact conductivity value that represents the boundary between native soil and ash. However, the trend observed in the geophysical data suggests that there is a sharp decrease in conductivity surrounding the possible ash deposits at a value of approximately 30 mS/m.

The relative consistency of soil conductivity lower than 30 mS/m across the site indicates that this value can be used as an approximate threshold to distinguish between native soil and the ash deposit. The yellow areas shown on **Figure 3** use this threshold to provide estimated boundaries of the ash deposits. This interpretation results in a total combined area of approximately 1.2 acres containing buried ash within the survey boundaries. The results also suggest that the ash deposit may extend further into the properties beyond the survey limits. If these zones are representative of containing buried ash, it is apparent that the NCDOT would likely encounter ash during construction depending on the depth of the ash deposit relative to the depth of excavation.

**Figure 3** also includes recommended boring/soil sampling locations within the possible ash deposits, as well as in specific areas outside of the ash to help constrain its extents (if present) and differentiate between conductivity increases related to soil conditions versus buried metal utilities. Pyramid recommends performing soil sampling in the majority of these locations as well as other areas for additional background information.

In summary, the EM31 mapping at the R-3833C project site site was successful in delineating multiple areas of high conductivity soils across the site that may be associated with buried ash. The presence of buried metal utilities may skew these interpretations and/or result in interference that is obscuring additional ash deposits.

# **SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS**

Pyramid's evaluation of the geophysical data collected at the NCDOT Project R-3833C project site provides the following summary and conclusions:

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# LIMITATIONS

Geophysical surveys have been performed and this report prepared for Falcon in accordance with generally accepted guidelines for EM31 surveys. It is generally recognized that the results of the geophysical surveys are non-unique and may not represent actual subsurface conditions. The EM31 results obtained for this project have been used to delineate the suspected ash deposit. However, some of the ash may not be detected by the EM31 investigation. Furthermore, some EM31 apparent conductivity anomalies may be in response to other hydrologic or geologic factors. The EM31 data is a function of the average conditions within the upper 15-17 feet of soil directly underlying the instrument at the time of data collection.

# **APPROXIMATE BOUNDARIES OF GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY AREA**





View of Survey Area (Facing Approximately Northeast)



View of Survey Area (Facing Approximately North)



 
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 FIGURE 1

# EM31 CONDUCTIVITY SURVEY RESULTS (WITH OVERLAY OF BURIED METAL UTILITIES)



# INTERPRETED AREAS CONTAINING POSSIBLE BURIED COAL ASH AND RECOMMENDED BORING LOCATIONS

